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## PASTORAL LETTER from the Co - Superintendent, Revd Michelle Ireland

### Dear friends,

There is something uniquely Methodist about the Circuit Preaching Plan, with the churches listed and the names of those taking Sunday services. My dad used to collect plans from many circuits and would spend hours looking at them, and he could tell you who was preaching where on any Sunday! I have to be honest and admit I am a bit like that too.

However, as we all know, worship is not restricted to Sundays only – but we would have to chop all the trees down in the Forest of Dean if we were to put on paper every act of worship!

I am reminded of the account in the gospels where the lady anoints Jesus with the costly perfume – seen by Jesus as a loving act, and by others as wasteful – that was true worship! Pure, sacrificial, loving (John 12.1-8).

As churches we hold many weekday events – coffee mornings, youth clubs, bible studies, food bank hubs, art classes, toddler groups. They may not look anything like a Sunday act of worship, but as places of mission they can in their own ways bring joy to those who attend and to our Father God. When run as acts of prayerful, pure, sacrificial love, worship quietly happens also, and it can be then that the love of God in Jesus is shared. George Herbert, hymn composer, wrote the following lines...Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise Thee.

So thank you for the weekday events you are involved in – they are not add-ons to Sunday, they are all part of the worshipping week.

**God Bless** 

# Michelle

#### Rev'd Michelle Ireland

PS – The eagle-eyed among you will spot the welcome return of the Circuit's online worship. A small and enthusiastic group of preachers have met and agreed to produce a monthly online service which will be available to everyone via the Circuit YouTube account at 8am on the advertised Sunday. Services will be produced into the New Year when it will be reviewed. We hope you enjoy them. Thanks to those preachers who are working hard to make this facility available once again.

#### PREACHER AND CHURCH NEWS

We say farewell to one of our ministers during this quarter. Revd Rachel Hope, who came to us in September 2020 and has pastoral responsibility for Amberley, Quedgeley, Randwick and Stroud St Alban's Churches, is now 'stepping down'. Rachel's Farewell Service will be held at 3pm on Sunday 13 July at Stroud St Alban's Methodist Church.

We are delighted to welcome Revd Mandy Briggs to our circuit. Mandy will have pastoral responsibility for Amberley, Quedgeley, Randwick and Stroud St Alban's Churches and is joining us from her previous appointment as Education Officer at John Wesley's New Room in Bristol. Mandy's Welcome Service will be held at 3pm on Sunday 31 August at Bethesda Methodist Church.

Congratulations to Sue Burnham. Following a successful first conversation at the recent Local Preacher's and Worship Leader's meeting which enables her to move on to the second part of the training. Thanks are given to Edna Seymour-Westborough who has stepped back as a Worship Leader at Churchdown. A reminder that the following Worship Leaders are available; Malcom Brader from Abbeydale, Beth Guttridge and Becci Piscani at St Mark's, Cheltenham, Val Ralston at Churchdown, and Sue Marsland and Jane Gray-Wallis from Wotton under Edge.

We thank all those Visiting Preachers who have kindly agreed to preach in our circuit during the Summer Quarter. Contact details for Visiting Preachers can be found in this plan, details for all other preachers are shown in the Circuit Directory.

## **LECTIONARY READINGS - Year C**

Sunday 1 June – Easter 7

Acts 16: 16-34; Psalm 97; Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17: 20-26

Sunday 8 June – Pentecost

Acts 2: 1-21; Genesis 11.1-9; Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b; Romans 8: 14-17; John 14: 8-17 (25-27)

Sunday 15 June – Trinity Sunday

Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5: 1-5; John 16: 12-15

Sunday 22 June – Ordinary 12

1 Kings 19:1-4 (5-7) 8-15a; Psalms 42; 43; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

Sunday 29 June - Ordinary 13

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20; Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62

Sunday 6 July - Ordinary 14

2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Sunday 13 July – Ordinary 15

Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

Sunday 20 July - Ordinary 16

Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

Sunday 27 July - Ordinary 17

Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85; Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19); Luke 11:1-13

Sunday 3 August - Ordinary 18

Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

Sunday 10 August - Ordinary 19

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40

Sunday 17 August - Ordinary 20

Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19; Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2; Luke 12:49-56

Sunday 24 August - Ordinary 21

Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17

Sunday 31 August – Ordinary 22

Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14

## PREACHING APPOINTMENTS AND MAKING THE PLAN

Many thanks to all those who have offered appointments this quarter, to everyone involved in the making of the plan, and for all the help leading, stewarding, and supporting worship in our Circuit. If you are unable to fulfil an appointment it is your responsibility to find an accredited substitute and inform the Superintendent or Circuit Office and the relevant church steward of the change. Should you be unable to take your appointment because of significant illness, medical or other emergency in the days before an appointment, please contact the Circuit Office who will endeavour to help you find a substitute.

You can find the dates for the forthcoming Summer Quarter Preaching Plan in the Diary Dates section.

## **DIARY DATES**

3 June	Autumn Preaching Plan: Chrestos will open for everyone to submit their availability					
4 June	Local Preachers & Worship Leaders' Meeting	Local Preachers & Worship Leaders' Meeting Churchdown 7.30pn				
17 June	Autumn Preaching Plan: The deadline for preachers to sub	mit their availabi	lity			
19 June	Autumn Preaching Plan: Chrestos will open for Ministers to ent	er service details.	Church			
	stewards should send requests, arrangements, visiting preacher details & DBS information					
	by this date					
26 June	Autumn Preaching Plan: The deadline for Ministers to enter service details for their section					
Beginning July	Autumn Preaching Plan: The plan will be finalised and published around this time					
31 August	Annual returns due: Churches are required to submit an Annual Methodist Church Online					
	return each year website					

# **MINISTERS DAYS OFF**

Minister	Day Off	Minister	Day Off
Peter Clarkson	Friday	John McNeill	Friday
Jimmy Cullingford	Study Day Thursday Day Off Friday	Esther Mason	Part time – varies
Rachel Hope	Friday	Sue Peat	Friday
Michelle Ireland	Monday	Wendy Tucker	Friday
David King	Part time – varies	Martin Turner	Friday
		Jayne Webb	Friday

JUNE						
SUMMER 2025		1	8	15	22	29
Lectionary Year C		Easter 7	Pentecost	Trinity Sunday	Ord 12	Ord 13
At Home Worship	8.00		Pascoe			
ABBEYDALE	10.00	Clarkson	Clarkson	Whitaker HC	Birkett	Daymond
<b>CHRISTCHURCH</b> PC	18.00	Clarkson TIP	Clarkson CAF			
AMBERLEY	8.00	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE	Hope HC	LA CofE
RH	10.00	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE	Hope HC	LA CofE
APPERLEY JW	11.00		Webb HC		Buley	
AYLBURTON MI	10.30	Grecian	Upton CA HC	LA	Hyne	Pearce
BAILEY LANE END MI	18.00	Ireland	Webb	Godden	Allsopp	Ireland HC
BETHESDA	10.30	Leather	Leather CAF	Brown HC	Leather AAW	LA
RL	15.00					
BISHOP'S CLEEVE JW	10.30	P Turner	Whiting	Webb HC	Maxwell	LA
BROCKWORTH HOUSE JS	15.00		McNeill			
CAM	10.30	Cullingford HC	Froggatt	Haines	Tucker	Cullingford HC
JC	15.00					16.00 U @Dursley
CHURCHDOWN JM	10.30	Buley	Guttridge	Peat CA	McNeill HC	D Thompson
CINDERFORD MI	10.30	Hobbs	Ireland CAF	Massey HC	Ledger	Ward
CIRENCESTER ASHCROFT WT	10.30	Zimmerman	U @Baptist Church CT	Tucker HC	Dearsley	Cracknell
CLEMENTS END MI	18.00	McNeill	Ireland HC	Cullingford	Ireland	Kime
COALWAY MI	10.30	Worgan	Norman	Ward	Ireland HC	Haines
DRYBROOK MI	11.00	Ireland HC	Haines	Maxwell	LA	Garner T
DURSLEY	10.30	Maxwell	Pascoe	LA	Cullingford HC	
JC	15.00					16.00 Cullingford
FAIRFORD WT	10.30	Dearsley	G Price	Riddell	Gleich	Tucker HC
HAWLING RL	18.00	Leather		Leather HC		Allsopp
HUCCLECOTE JM	10.30	Alison Jackson	McNeill HC	Zimmerman	LA	Webb

			JUNE			
SUMMER 2025		1	8	15	22	29
Lectionary Year C		Easter 7	Pentecost	Trinity Sunday	Ord 12	Ord 13
At Home Worship	8.00		Pascoe			
LONSDALE RD JM	10.30	McNeill HC	Seaton	LA	Norman	McNeill
NAILSWORTH EM	10.30	E Mason HC	E Mason	McNeill	Marshall T	E Mason
NEWENT ST MARY'S DK	10.30	LA CofE	LA CofE	King	LA CofE	LA CofE
NORTH CERNEY RL	18.00		McNeill			
PILLOWELL MI	11.00	Ledger	Linzner	Garner T	Haines	Ireland HC
QUEDGELEY RH	10.30	Hope HC	Hope	LA	Pascoe	LA
RANDWICK RH	11.00	LA CofE	LA CofE	Hope HC	LA CofE	LA CofE
ST JOHN'S NORTHGATE JW	10.30	LA	Ward	D Thompson	Webb HC CMS	Peat
ST MARK'S	08.00					
RL	10.30	Seaton HC	Stanfield LA MH	Leather	Kime ES	Burnham
SOUTH CERNEY	09.30	Ward		LA CAF		Alan Jackson
WT	18.00		M Turner		Tucker HC	
STONEHOUSE	10.30	Wills	Cullingford HC	E Mason	LA	
JC	15.00					16.00 U @Dursley
STROUD	10.00	Brown CAF	Burridge	LA	Zimmerman	Hope HC
ST ALBANS	16.00			Hope TS		
RH	18.30	18.00 LA FB	LA CofE		LA CofE	Hobbs
TETBURY WT	10.30	LA	Tucker HC CA	Richards	Peat	LA
TEWKESBURY	9.15	Webb BP				
JW	10.30	Webb HC	Alan Jackson	Ledger	Carr	LA
TIBBERTON JW	15.00			Webb		
WHADDON	10.30	White CAF	M Turner HC	White CAF HC	White CofE HC	LA HC
ST MICHAEL'S MT	18.00	M Turner / White H				
WINCHCOMBE JW	10.30	Butler	LA	Yates	Ward HC	Maxwell
WOTTON UNDER EDGE	10.15	Riddell	Radford	Cullingford HC	Pearce	Kime
JC	15.00					16.00 U @Dursley

			JULY		
SUMMER 2025		6	13	20	27
Lectionary Year C		Ord 14	Ord 15	Ord 16	Ord 17
AT HOME WORSHIP	8.00		Alan Jackson		
ABBEYDALE	10.00	Clarkson	Clarkson	Clarkson HC	Hall
<b>CHRISTCHURCH</b> PC	18.00	Clarkson TIP	Clarkson CAF	Clarkson K&G	
AMBERLEY	8.00	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE
RH	10.00	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE	Peat
APPERLEY JW	11.00		Kime HC		Ledger
AYLBURTON MI	10.30	Ireland AAW	Godden HC	LA	LA
BAILEY LANE END MI	18.00	Hargreaves	15.00 C Cory/B Cory OA	McNeill	Ireland HC
BETHESDA	10.30	Baugh	Leather HC	Ledger MH	LA AAW
RL	15.00				
BISHOP'S CLEEVE JW	10.30	R Clutterbuck HC	Maxwell	Webb	Baugh
BROCKWORTH HOUSE JS	15.00		LA		
САМ	10.30	Linzner	J Jackson	Vonberg	LA
JC	15.00				
CHURCHDOWN JM	10.30	Law	LA	McNeill HC	Norman
CINDERFORD MI	10.30	P Turner	Ireland CAF HC	J Jackson	Garner T
CIRENCESTER ASHCROFT WT	10.30	Wills	Riddell	Tucker HC	LA
CLEMENTS END MI	18.00	Ireland	Allsopp	Ireland HC	Haines
COALWAY MI	10.30	Maxwell	Garner T	Burnham	Ireland HC
DRYBROOK MI	11.00	Kime HC	LA	Ireland	Godden
DURSLEY	10.30	Grecian	Radford HC	Riddell	LA
JC	15.00				
FAIRFORD WT	10.30	LA	Barnes	Maxwell	Riddell HC
HAWLING RL	18.00	McNeill		Leather HC	
HUCCLECOTE JM	10.30	Buley	McNeill HC	Yates	Hyne

			JULY		
SUMMER 2025		6	13	20	27
Lectionary Year C		Ord 14	Ord 15	Ord 16	Ord 17
AT HOME WORSHIP	8.00		Alan Jackson		
LONSDALE RD JM	10.30	McNeill HC	Ward	Atkins-Greig CA	Maxwell
NAILSWORTH EM	10.30	A Evans HC	LA	E Mason	E Mason
NEWENT ST MARY'S DK	10.30	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE	King
NORTH CERNEY RL	18.00		Leather		
PILLOWELL MI	11.00	Hargreaves CA	Torchon CA	Upton CA	Daymond HC
QUEDGELEY RH	10.30	Норе	Guttridge	Brown HC	LA
RANDWICK RH	11.00	LA CofE	LA CofE	Kime HC	LA CofE
ST JOHN'S NORTHGATE JW	10.30	Butler	D Thompson	LA	Webb HC
ST MARK'S	08.00			9.00 Leather BP	
RL	10.30	Pearce	LA	Leather HC	Leather
SOUTH CERNEY	09.30	Tucker		LA CAF	
WT	18.00		Kime		Leather HC
STONEHOUSE	10.30	Torchon CA	Seaton	Grecian	Cullingford HC
JC	15.00		-		
STROUD ST	10.00	Ward	Dearsley	U @Holy Trinity	Seaton HC
ALBANS	16.00		15.00 Torchon	Burridge TS	
RH	18.30	18.00 LA FB			LA CofE
TETBURY WT	10.30	M Turner	Tucker HC	Hobbs	Radford
TEWKESBURY	09.15	Webb BP			
JW	10.30	Webb HC	LA	Seaton	Grecian
TIBBERTON JW	15.00		-	Ireland	
WHADDON	10.30	White CAF	M Turner HC	White CAF HC	White CofE HC
ST MICHAEL'S MT	18.00	M Turner / White H			
WINCHCOMBE JW	10.30	LA	Pascoe	Buley	Ward HC
WOTTON UNDER EDGE	10.15	Cullingford HC	Grecian	LA	M Turner
1C	15.00				

			AUGUST			
SUMMER 2025		3	10	17	24	31
Lectionary Year C		Ord 18	Ord 19	Ord 20	Ord 21	Ord 22
AT HOME WORSHIP	8.00		Burridge			
ABBEYDALE	10.00	Clarkson	Clarkson	Clarkson HC	Sharland	Draycott
<b>CHRISTCHURCH</b> PC	18.00	Clarkson TIP	Clarkson SOP CAF	Clarkson K&G		
AMBERLEY	8.00	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE	McNeill HC	LA CofE
RH	10.00	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE	LA CofE
APPERLEY JW	11.00		Webb HC		LA	
AYLBURTON MI	10.30	Ledger	Ward	Ireland HC	Worgan	Jeffrey
BAILEY LANE END MI	18.00	Webb	Norman	Peat	Ireland HC	
BETHESDA	10.30	Wills	Seaton HC	LA	Leather AAW	Carr
RL	15.00					Torchon WS
BISHOP'S CLEEVE JW	10.30	Maxwell	Kime	LA	Whiting	Webb HC
BROCKWORTH HOUSE JS	15.00		Kime			
САМ	10.30	Upton	Zimmerman	Cullingford HC	LA	Ireland
JC	15.00					
CHURCHDOWN JM	10.30	LA	Carr	Alison Jackson	LA	McNeill HC
CINDERFORD MI	10.30	LA SOP	Hyne CAF	Massey HC	Hobbs	LA
CIRENCESTER ASHCROFT WT	10.30	Alan Jackson	LA	Tucker HC	LA	Dearsley
CLEMENTS END MI	18.00	Worgan	Daymond	Ireland HC	Hobbs	LA
COALWAY MI	10.30	P Turner	LA	Daymond HC	LA	Haines
DRYBROOK MI	11.00	Ward HC	Norman	LA	Hyne	Garner T
DURSLEY	10.30	Cullingford	Alan Jackson	Riddell	Cullingford HC	LA
JC	15.00					
FAIRFORD WT	10.30	Burnip	Alison Jackson	LA	Cracknell	Tucker HC
HAWLING RL	18.00	Peat		Leather HC		
HUCCLECOTE JM	10.30	LA	Law	LA	McNeill HC	Zimmerman

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LONSDALE RD JM	10.30	Buley	LA	McNeill HC	D Bennett	Burridge
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NEWENT ST MARY'S DK	10.30	LA CofE	LA CofE	King	LA CofE	LA CofE
NORTH CERNEY RL	18.00		Webb			
PILLOWELL MI	11.00	Alison Jackson	LA	Garner T	Ireland HC	LA
QUEDGELEY RH	10.30	Zimmerman	D Bennett	Seaton HC	Haines	Peat
RANDWICK RH	11.00	LA CofE	LA CofE	Burridge	LA CofE	LA CofE
ST JOHN'S NORTHGATE JW	10.30	Peat	Pearce	Webb HC	Peat	D Thompson
ST MARK'S	8.00					
RL	10.30	LA	Burridge	Leather HC	Baugh	Leather AAW
SOUTH CERNEY	09.30	Dearsley		LA CAF		Cracknell
WT	18.00		Pearce	-1	Cullingford HC	
STONEHOUSE	10.30	Haines	Godden	Kime	LA	Cullingford HC
JC	15.00					
STROUD	10.00	Pearce CAF	LA	Burnham A	C Cory HC	Grecian
ST ALBANS	16.00					
RH	18.30	18.00 LA FB	LA CofE	17.30 Cullingford	LA CofE	LA
TETBURY WT	10.30	Richards	Tucker HC	LA	Upton	Radford
TEWKESBURY	9.15					
JW	10.30	R Clutterbuck HC	Whiting	Ward	M Turner	LA
TIBBERTON JW	15.00			Webb		
WHADDON	10.30	White CAF	M Turner HC	White CAF HC	White CofE HC	J Jackson
ST MICHAEL'S MT	18.00	M Turner / White H				
WINCHCOMBE JW	10.30	LA	Smith	Peat	Ward HC	LA
WOTTON UNDER EDGE	10.15	Hobbs	Cullingford HC	Butler	LA	Maxwell
JC	15.00					

## **WORSHIP RESOURCES**

Church	Resources	Church	Resources
Abbeydale Christchurch	H&P, CMP, MP, NRSV, A/V	Nailsworth Christ Church	STF, GNB, NIV, OHP, A/V
Amberley	A&M, NRSV, MWB	Nowant St Mary's	H&P, SOF, MP, NIV, STF (Music
Apperley	STF, H&P, Com (MWB),	Newent St Mary's	Book), Com (MWB), OHP, A/V
Aylburton	STF; H&P, MWB - HC	North Cerney Fellowship	H&P, Com (1936)
Bailey Lane End	STF, Com (MWB)	Pillowell	H&P, MP
Bethesda	STF, NIV, MWB, A/V	Quedgeley	STF, OHP, Screen
Bishops Cleeve	STF, H&P, NRSV, Com (MWB), A/V	Randwick	H&P, SOF, NRSV, MWB
Cam	H&P, STF, MP, MWB, GNB, A	St John's Northgate	STF, H&P, SOF, NRSV, MWB
Churchdown	STF, H&P, SOF, GNB, MWB, A/V	St Mark's	H&P, Song, GNB, MWB, NEB, STF
Cinderford	STF, H&P, SOF, Com, A/V	South Cerney	STF, REB, Com (MWB)
Cirencester Ashcroft	STF, H&P, MP, GNB, MWB, A/V	Stonehouse	STF, AV, MWB, GNB
Clements End	H&P, MWB – HC	Stroud St Albans	STF, H&P, MP (Combined), GNB, MWB, A/V
Coalway	STF, H&P, MWB – HC	Tetbury Christ Church	STF, H&P, CMP, NIV, GNB, Com (MWB), A/V
Drybrook	STF, H&P, SOF, MWB	Tewkesbury	STF, H&P, MP, MWB, NRSV, A/V
Dursley	STF, MP, H&P, MWB, GNB, A/V	Tibberton	STF, H&P, MP, GNB, Com, A/V
Fairford	H&P, CMP, STF, NIV, GNB, A/V	Whaddon St Michael's	H&P, A&M, Song, Com (MWB)
Hawling	STF, MWB	Winchcombe	STF, H&P, GNB, MWB, A/V
Hucclecote	STF, H&P, SOF, GNB, MWB, A/V	Wotton - under - Edge	STF, H&P, MP, MWB, NIV, Song, A/V
Lonsdale Rd	STF, H&P, GNB, SOF, MWB, A/V		

## **KEY TO WORSHIP RESOURCES**

A&M	Hymns Ancient & Modern	MWB	Methodist Worship Book
A/V	Audio/Visual equipment available	NIV	New International Version
Com	Extract or other Communion books	NRSV	New Revised Standard Version
CMP	Complete Mission Praise	OHP	Overhead Projector
GNB	Good News Bible	REB	Revised English Bible
H&P	Hymns & Psalms	Song	Own or other compilation Song book
MP	Mission Praise	SOF	Songs of Fellowship
MSB	Methodist Service Book	STF	Singing the Faith

# **SERVICE CODES**

Where the code 'A' is shown, the second preacher will hear, assess, and support the first (trainee) preacher

Α	Assess	НС	Holy Communion
AAW	All Age Worship	K&G	Know & Grow
BP	Breakfast Church or similar	LA	Local Arrangement
CA	Church Anniversary	МН	Methodist Homes
CAF	Cafe Church, Worship, or Fellowship	OA	Open Air Service
CMS	Circuit Meeting and/or Service	SOP	Songs of Praise
CofE	Church of England Service	TIP	Together In Prayer
СТ	Churches Together or Ecumenical Service	TS	Tea Service
ES	Environment Service	U	United Service
FB	Fusebox	WS	Welcome Service
Н	Healing Service		

<sup>\*</sup> Where two names are shown the second named is the preacher